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NEW FOREIGN TRADE AGREEMENTS MADE

POLISH-GERMAN TRADE AGREEMENT -- Glos Wichkopolski, No 110, 23 Apr 49

In Berlin on 29 March 1949, the first postwar trade agreement for 1949 was signed by East Germany and Poland. Up to this time all trade agreements were made with the Soviet occupying authorities. The economic administration of East Germany has been turned over to the German authorities with DWK (Deutsche Wirtschaftskommission, German Economic Commission) in charge.

The new trade agreement between Poland and East Germany amounts to 152 million dollars and is of utmost importance to both. Poland will receive machine tools, printing presse , textile machinery, sewing machines, electro-echnical and electromedical pro lots, photographic equipment, chemicals, sport equipment, and musical instruments, in exchange for coal, coke, steel, etc.

POTAND PARTISHAN TRADE ACCREMENT -- Polska Zbrojna, No 97, 8 Apr 49

On 5 April a trade agreement, which expires 30 June 1950, was concluded between Poland and Pakistan.

Under this agreement Poland will import from Pakistan cotton, wool, jute, hides, tea, etc., and in exchange will export to Pakistan the products of its chemical, mineral, paper, textile, metal, agricultural, food, wood, and coal industries.

This agreement is the first of a series which Poland desires to conclude with middle eastern and the far eastern countries and is of great economic importance to Poland and Pariston.

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TRADE WITH ICEIAND TO INCREASE -- Polska Zbrojna, No 97, 8 Apr 49

On 7 April Poland and Iceland signed a supplement to the trade agreement of 14 June 1948 increasing the trade turnover on both sides by 1,500,000 dollars.

The agreement provides for additional imports of salted herrings, sheep skins, and other articles. Poland is to export soal rye, rye flour, iron and steel products.

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